

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: : Group Art Unit: 3677  
Phillip M. Santisi : Confirmation No. 7945  
App. No.: 10/615,407 : Examiner: James R. Brittain  
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Title: **FASTENING DEVICE**

MAIL STOP: AMENDMENT

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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION AND AMENDMENT**

**a.) Preliminary Remarks.**

In response to the final Office Action, mail dated April 28, 2009, Applicant respectfully requests entry of Applicant's amendments and reconsideration of the rejections of record in view of the Applicant's amendments and remarks below.

**b.) Amendments to the Specification. None.**